

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)
WITHOUT FILING FEE OR EXECUTED INVENTOR'S OATH/DECLARATION

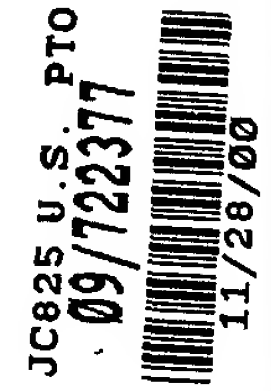
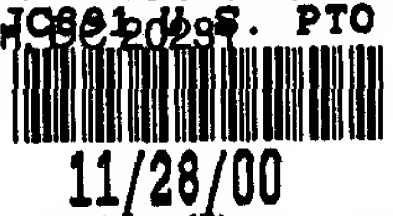
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Date: November 28, 2000

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This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

- ☐ An abstract together with
120 pages of specification and claims including
73 numbered claims and also attached is/are
28 sheets of accompanying drawings.
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